

Literacy in the Early Years

Emergent Writing

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What the Research Says:

▮ **Scribbling and mark making: promoting infants' and toddlers' emergent drawing behaviour**

What does research tell us about stages of infant/toddler scribbling and mark making? What interventions facilitate and reinforce pre-writing behaviour?

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/cellnotes/CELLnotes_v6n1.pdf

▮ **Development of Infant and Toddler Mark Making and Scribbling**

The Center for Early Literacy Learning examines the development of infant and toddler mark making and drawing. Implications for practice are described.

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/cellreviews/cellreviews_v2_n2.pdf

▮ **From Scribbles to Scrabble: Preschool Children's Developing Knowledge of Written Language**

A look at how children progress along a continuum from scribbling to conventional spelling.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3309424/>



On the Lighter Side

Baby Sienna. An artist on the path to becoming a writer someday. Too cute!

www.youtube.com/watch?v=afQeS8679W4

Free Webinars

This webcast explores the importance of writing skills, a bit about research and what you can do to enjoy success.

www.readingrockets.org/webcasts/3001/

A collection of short videos from the Center for Early Literacy Learning. Great learning opportunities for teachers and parents.

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/ta_pract_videos1.php

Putting Research into Practice

Looking at Writing

An interactive tool designed to help teachers and parents learn more about writing.

www.readingrockets.org/looking_at_writing

Center for Early Literacy Learning (CELL)

Free practice guides especially for practitioners working with infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/pgpracts.php

Reading and Writing with Your Child

A user-friendly guide from the Ministry of Education.

www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideLit2012.pdf

Parent Resources



The Center for Early Literacy Learning (CELL) has practice guides packed with fun literacy learning experiences.

Especially for parents of infants: Infant Finger Drawing; Scribble, Scribble

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/cellpract_parent/infants/collections/CELL_Inf_Scrib_Draw.pdf

Especially for parents of toddlers: Art of Writing; Get Write on It

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/cellpract_parent/toddler/collections/CELL_Todd_Scrib_Draw.pdf

Especially for parents of preschoolers: Write Right; Delighting in Writing

www.earlyliteracylearning.org/cellpract_parent/preschool/collections/CELL_Pre_Draw_Write.pdf